## St. Joseph County Department of Health



"Promoting physical and mental health and facilitating the prevention of disease, injure, and disability for all St. Joseph County residents."

## WATER TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPERTY TRANSFERS

- 1. The drinking water for any commercial or residential property being transferred shall be analyzed for the following parameters:
  - a. Total coliform bacteria
  - b. E. coli bacteria
  - c. Nitrates
  - d. Arsenic
  - e. Any other tests as deemed reasonable and necessary and ordered by the Health Officer on a case by case basis to the extent that such tests protect against a health threat.
- 2. Samples shall be collected from the primary point of use. For residential properties, the primary point of use is designated to be the kitchen faucet unless a water treatment unit is installed.
- 3. The results of the analyses shall be submitted to the Department of Health by the laboratory performing the analysis and shall be submitted to the buyer and the Department of Health by the seller or their authorized agent according to established schedules.
- 4. If the water does not meet U.S. EPA Primary Drinking Water Standards the well water may be disinfected and retested. If this process does not result in water that meets Drinking Water Standards, suitable water treatment device must be installed at the primary point of use.
- 5. The St. Joseph County certified water laboratories participating in this program are:

## St. Joseph County Area State Certified Water Laboratories

**Culligan Analytical Laboratory** 56861 Ferrettie Court Mishawaka, IN 46545 Phone: 574-289-6371

**Garrett Laboratories, Inc** 408 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Niles, Michigan 49120

Phone 800-336-3201

**Element Materials Technology** 3371 Cleveland Road, Suite 100A South Bend, Indiana 46628

**Your Environmental Services LLC** 4609 Grape Road, Suite D

Mishawaka, Indiana 46545 Phone: 574-272-8484

6340 Castleplace Dr. Indianapolis, IN 46250 Phone: 574-277-0707 Phone: 317-803-2997

**EMSL Analytical, Inc.** 

Note: The cost of the water analysis is not included in the property transfer fee and is payable to the water testing laboratory of your choice. Please pick up a testing kit from the laboratory before drawing a water sample and follow the sampling procedures provided by the laboratory. You must use the containers provided by the water laboratory.